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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLN

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(BASED ON PCT/EP99/10112)

FILED: HEREWITH

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FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN
ULTRAPHOBIC SURFACE BY
SANDBLASTING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-12.

Please add new Claims 13-31.

13. (New) A method for producing an ultraphobic surface on metal, glass, ceramic or plastic or a composite of metal and plastic as support material, comprising intensively roughening the support material with a fluid jet containing solid blasting agents over a long

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